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In terms of Section 38 of the National Heritage Resources Act (Act 25 of 1999)

Attention: Mulilo Total Hydra Storage (Pty) Ltd

The Badenhorst Solar PV2 facility (DFFE Ref Nr: 14/12/16/3/3/2/504) received Environmental Authorisation (EA) on 8 August 2014. The Environmental Management Programme (EMPR) was not approved as part of the EA issued. Landscape Dynamics Environmental Consultants was appointed by Mulilo Total Hydra Storage (Pty) Ltd to update and finalise the Environmental Management Programme with the relevant conditions of the EA; the subsequent EA Amendments and the relevant requirements from the 2014 Environmental Impact Report.

Landscapes Dynamics was appointed by Mulilo Total Hydra Storage (Pty) Ltd to update the Environmental Management Programme (EMPr) for the approved 75MW Badenhorst Solar PV 2 solar energy facility, on the Remainder of Portion 1 of the Farm 180, De Aar, Northern Cape Province (DEFF Ref Nr: 14/12/16/3/3/2/504). The EMPr had not been approved as part of the Environmental Authorisation issued on the 8 August 2014.

Previous SAHRIS applications are linked to this application: SAHRIS Case ID 2132 (https://sahris.sahra.org.za/cases/badenhorst-dam-farm-pv-facilities-pv2-pv5) and SAHRIS Case ID 15494 (https://sahris.sahra.org.za/cases/heritage-amendment-letter-badenh-pv2).

Heritage specialist statements have been submitted to the application along with the EMPr regarding the mitigation and management of heritage resources within the approved footprint.

The PIA report submitted to the case is that same report submitted to SAHRIS Case ID 15494 noted above and will not be discussed here.

Orton, J. 2021. Mulilo Total Hydra Storage: Confirmation of protection of Heritage Resources.

The specialist has confirmed that the layout will avoid all known heritage resources.

The updated EMPr page 65-67 includes management measures for the protection and management of heritage resources as identified within the submitted Heritage Impact Assessment (HIA) and Palaeontological Impact Assessment (PIA) as well as conditions provided by SAHRA in the Final Comment issued in 2013 on

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SAHRIS Case ID 2132 and in the Final Comment issued on the 20/10/2020 on SAHRIS Case ID 15494.

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The SAHRA Archaeology, Palaeontology and Meteorites (APM) Unit is satisfied with the management measures included in the EMPr for the management of heritage resources. The Final EMPr must be submitted to SAHRA for record purposes.

Should you have any further queries, please contact the designated official using the case number quoted above in the case header.

Yours faithfully

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Direct URL to case: https://sahris.sahra.org.za/node/574597

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- 1. This approval does not exonerate the applicant from obtaining local authority approval or any other necessary approval for proposed work.
- 2. If any heritage resources, including graves or human remains, are encountered they must be reported to SAHRA immediately.
- 3. SAHRA reserves the right to request additional information as required.